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**COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

Sir:

Responsive to the Notice of Allowance dated January 26, 2010, on the above-identified patent application, Applicants agree with the Examiner's conclusions regarding the patentability of the allowed claims, without necessarily agreeing with or acquiescing in the Examiner's reasoning. In particular, Applicants believe that the application is allowable because the prior art fails to anticipate or make obvious the invention as claimed, independent of how the invention is paraphrased.

Please contact the undersigned if there are any questions or comments, or if the Applicants can be of any assistance in expediting issuance of the patent.

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